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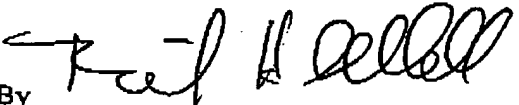
Applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's restriction requirement, since the "modulated laser light detector" claims and the "synchronous rectifier circuit" claims are related as a combination and subcombination, and the Examiner will undoubtedly be searching the same PTO Classes and subclasses when examining each groups of claims. For these reasons, Applicant respectfully submits that the restriction requirement is improper and should be withdrawn. If the Examiner disagrees, Applicant requests the Examiner to make the restriction requirement "final."

Conclusion, and Provisional Election

While it is Applicant's position that claims 1-20 are part of the same invention and should not be divided from one another, in order to comply with 37 C.F.R. § 1.146, and the Examiner's requirement, Applicant hereby provisionally elects **Group 1, claims 1-15** for prosecution on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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